

**DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**  
**GOVERNOR'S BUDGET**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2000-01**

The 2000-01 Governor's Budget for the Department of Developmental Services (Department) continues the commitment to persons with developmental disabilities in California. Overall funding is proposed to increase by \$198 million, or 9.0 percent over the 1999-00 budget. This increase provides the Department with funding to continue services for persons residing in the community and developmental centers, and to fund increased service needs as well as several new proposals focused on improving services.

In 1999-00, the Department requested a General Fund deficiency appropriation for both the Community Services and Developmental Centers Programs. This is due to the loss of anticipated federal reimbursements because the Federal Health Care Financing Administration's (HCFA) freeze on adding new consumers to the Department's Medicaid Waiver and because of the delay in certification of the Agnews Developmental Center's Intermediate Care Facility Program. The Department also requested funds for the costs of selecting and preparing one or more sites in the Southern California region to serve individuals with behavior challenges.

In 2000-01, an additional \$146.4 million is proposed for the Community Services Program. Major changes impacting the regional centers include: \$6.4 million to reduce the time for completion of consumer assessments from 120 days to 60 days; \$3.2 million to pass-through the January 1, 2001 SSI/SSP increase to community care facility providers; \$3.6 million in federal Part C funds for pending federal projects affecting the Early Start Program; \$1.2 million to fund the new shift nursing rates for adult consumers; up to \$1 million for service delivery reform efforts; \$1 million from the Developmental Disabilities Services Account to increase affordable housing alternatives available to consumers; \$102 million for caseload and purchase of service utilization trends in the regional centers; and \$26.9 million to reflect full-year funding for 1999-00 program changes.

The Developmental Centers Program is proposed to increase by \$51.6 million in 2000-01. Proposed program changes include: \$15.8 million for the remainder of the third-year implementation of a four-year staffing augmentation plan; \$13.3 million to acquire additional beds in Southern California to assist in the relocation of consumers residing at Napa State Hospital; \$.3 million to begin the development of recommendations for the future of state-operated developmental center services; \$.2 million to continue the funding for three existing crisis homes for children with developmental disabilities in Central and Northern California; and \$16.3 million to reflect full-year funding for 1999-00 program changes. There is also a reduction of \$5.8 million in the developmental center appropriation that reflects the projected population decline in the developmental center system.

The 2000-01 budget includes a proposed increase for the administrative support in Headquarters of \$.4 million. Proposed program changes include \$.8 million for the Department to assume conservatorship responsibilities for residents of the developmental centers, \$.2 million to continue to improve regional center data systems, \$.7 million for the first year of a four-year plan to replace the information and accounting systems in the regional centers, and \$.2 million to ensure compliance with the Home and Community-Based Services Waiver requirements.

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**FUNDING SUMMARY**

*(Dollars in Thousands)*

<b>BUDGET SUMMARY:</b>	<b>Estimated FY 1999-00</b>	<b>Proposed FY 2000-01</b>	<b>Difference</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
COMMUNITY SERVICES	\$1,617,298	\$1,763,703	\$146,405	9.1%
DEVELOPMENTAL CENTERS	561,095	612,708	51,613	9.2%
HEADQUARTERS SUPPORT	32,531	32,964	433	1.3%
STATE MANDATES	903	486	(417)	-46.2%
<b>TOTALS, ALL PROGRAMS</b>	<b>\$2,211,827</b>	<b>\$2,409,861</b>	<b>\$198,034</b>	<b>9.0%</b>
<b>FUND SOURCES:</b>				
General Fund	\$920,423	\$996,560	\$76,137	8.3%
Reimbursements: Totals All	\$1,239,635	\$1,361,666	\$122,031	9.8%
<i>Medicaid Waiver</i>	<i>505,475</i>	<i>561,163</i>	<i>55,688</i>	<i>11.0%</i>
<i>Targeted Case Management</i>	<i>126,390</i>	<i>128,133</i>	<i>1,743</i>	<i>1.4%</i>
<i>Medi-Cal</i>	<i>475,104</i>	<i>537,659</i>	<i>62,555</i>	<i>13.2%</i>
<i>Title XX Block Grant</i>	<i>111,000</i>	<i>111,000</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0.0%</i>
<i>All Other</i>	<i>21,666</i>	<i>23,711</i>	<i>2,045</i>	<i>9.4%</i>
Federal Trust Fund	\$47,289	\$47,299	\$10	0.0%
Lottery Education Fund	\$389	\$389	\$0	0.0%
Program Development Fund	\$4,061	\$2,947	(\$1,114)	-27.4%
Dev. Disabilities Services Account	\$30	\$1,000	\$970	3233.3%
<b>AVERAGE CASELOAD:</b>				
Developmental Centers	3,853	3,818	(35)	-0.9%
Regional Centers	153,600	162,800	9,200	6.0%
<b>AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:</b>				
Developmental Centers	8,168.7	8,773.6	604.9	7.4%
Headquarters	430.8	445.8	15.0	3.5%

# **DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**

## **PROGRAM SUMMARY**

### **Community Services Program**

The Governor's Budget for 2000-01 proposes an increase of \$146.4 million (from \$1.62 billion in 1999-00 to \$1.76 billion in 2000-01), a 9.1 percent increase in funding for regional centers. Significant changes proposed for 1999-00 and 2000-01 are as follows:

#### **►Reduction in Federal Reimbursements**

The Federal HCFA freeze on the growth of the Department's Medicaid Waiver program and HCFA's deferral of waiver payments for one regional center is lasting longer than anticipated. In 1999-00 this requires an increase of \$49.3 million in General Fund to replace the budgeted federal reimbursements that will not be received by the Department.

The 2000-01 budget assumes that: 1) 16 regional centers will be certified as in compliance with federal requirements by the end of 2000-01 (seven in 1999-00 and nine more in 2000-01); 2) there will be no freeze on admissions for those regional centers who have been certified as compliant; and 3) HCFA will release federal funds for the one regional center whose funds were deferred.

#### **►Intake: Time Limit to Perform Assessments**

An increase of \$6.4 million to fund the restoration of the time limitation for consumer assessments at the regional centers from 120 days to 60 days effective July 1, 2000.

#### **►Pass-Through of January 1, 2001 SSI/SSP Increase**

An increase of \$3.2 million to continue to pass-through the SSI/SSP increase to Community Care Facility providers effective January 1, 2001.

#### **►Pending Federal Projects for the Early Start Program (Part C)**

\$3.6 million in federal Part C funds is being set aside to address the pending Early Start issues facing the Department.

#### **►Shift Nursing Rates**

An increase of \$1.2 million to pay, effective July 1, 2000, the new shift nursing Schedule of Maximum Allowance rates established by the Department of Health Services for adult consumers.

### ►Rate Methodology Development

An increase up to \$1 million to implement the second phase of the Department's service delivery reform contract to develop customized indicators and performance measures, and a cost model for in-home respite, day, infant development, and supported living programs.

### ►Affordable Housing

An increase of \$1 million in one-time funds from the Developmental Disabilities Services Account to establish an Affordable Housing Development Project that will increase affordable housing alternatives available to consumers.

### ►Caseload Growth

An increase of \$102 million to fund increase costs at the regional centers due to an additional 9,200 consumers in 2000-01, as well as increased utilization of purchase of services based on consumer needs.

### ►Continuation Funding

An increase of \$26.9 million for the ongoing costs of the following 1999-00 proposals: Community Care Facility Staff Training (\$24.7 million) and the Pass-Through of the January 1, 2000 SSI/SSP Increase (\$2.2 million).

## Developmental Centers Program

The proposed Governor's Budget for 2000-01 requests an increase of \$51.6 million (from \$561.1 million to \$612.7 million), or 9.2 percent for the Developmental Centers Program. The total number of positions proposed for the Developmental Centers Program in 2000-01 is 8,773.6, a net increase of 604.9 positions. Significant changes proposed for 1999-00 and 2000-01 are as follows:

### ►Reduction in Federal Reimbursements

For 1999-00, a reduction of \$15.1 million in Medi-Cal reimbursements which will be replaced with General Fund. The loss of funding is due to the delay in certifying the Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) Programs at Agnews Developmental Center. The 2000-01 budget assumes full certification at Agnews Developmental Center.

### ► **Developmental Center Certification**

An increase of \$15.8 million and 43 positions in 2000-01 to ensure that the developmental center system maintains federal certification by implementing the remaining portions of the third year of the four-year staffing augmentation plan. This proposal also includes registered nurses to serve as case managers/coordinators on Nursing Facility and Acute units, nurse instructors to provide competency-based training to staff, clerical support staff in the residential units at Agnews Developmental Center on a two-year pilot basis to release nursing staff to provide direct care, information systems staff to provide support to computer users throughout the facility, and additional special investigators to address increased workload.

### ► **Developmental Center Population Adjustments**

A reduction of \$5.8 million in 2000-01 for the projected net decrease in population of 35 residents in the developmental center system (from 3,853 in 1999-00 to 3,818 in 2000-01).

### ► **Southern California Facility for Persons with Behavioral Issues**

Increases of \$500,000 in 1999-00 and \$13.3 million in 2000-01 to acquire up to 80 beds in the Southern California region to serve persons with behavioral issues. These beds will be needed to assist in the relocation of the Department's forensic consumers from Napa State Hospital to Porterville Developmental Center. Residents of Porterville Developmental Center with behavioral issues and who have families in the southern part of the State will in turn be moved to these new beds.

### ► **Developmental Center Facilities Study**

An increase of \$250,000 in 2000-01 to fund the initial steps in developing recommendations for the future of state-operated developmental center services in California.

### ► **Crisis Homes for Children**

An increase of \$225,000 in 2000-01 to continue the funding for three existing crisis homes for children with developmental disabilities in Northern and Central California.

► **Continuation Funding**

An increase of \$16.3 million in 2000-01 for the on-going costs of the following 1999-00 proposals: the second year of the four-year staffing augmentation plan (\$16.1 million) and the program closure for forensic consumers with developmental disabilities at Napa State Hospital (\$.2 million).

**Headquarters**

The proposed Governor's Budget for 2000-01 requests an increase of \$433,000 (from \$32.5 million to \$32.9 million), or 1.3 percent for the Department's Headquarters programs. The total number of positions proposed for Headquarters in 2000-01 is 445.8, a net increase of 15 positions. Significant changes proposed for 2000-01 are as follows:

► **Conservatorships**

An increase of \$822,000 and 13 limited-term positions to determine the representation needs and perform conservator responsibilities for people residing in the developmental centers.

► **Consumer and Fiscal Data Integrity**

Continuation of \$211,000 and three positions to monitor and edit regional center data systems to enhance the quality of data provided to the Department.

► **California Developmental Disabilities Information System (CADDIS)**

An increase of \$707,000 for the first year of a four-year plan for the replacement of the information and accounting system at regional centers to improve the availability and reliability of information required by the Department and federal agencies.

► **Medicaid Waiver Compliance Reviews**

An increase of \$168,000 and two positions to meet federal monitoring requirements of the Home and Community-Based Services Waiver.

► **Rate Methodology Development**

An increase of \$68,000 and one limited-term position to work with the contractor in the Department's system reform efforts.

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Additional information regarding the Department, the developmental disabilities service delivery system, and other information intended for those who interact with the Department is available on the Department's Home Page at [www.dds.ca.gov](http://www.dds.ca.gov).  
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	<b>FY 1999-00 Estimated</b>	<b>FY 2000-01 Proposed</b>	<b>Dollar Change</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
<b>Community Services Program</b>				
Regional Centers	\$1,575,007	\$1,719,808	\$144,801	9.2%
Operations	330,315	347,929	17,614	5.3%
Purchase of Services	1,244,692	1,371,879	127,187	10.2%
Program Development	1,426	1,426	0	0.0%
Early Intervention Program	20,200	20,200	0	0.0%
Habilitation Services	20,665	22,269	1,604	7.8%
<b>Totals, Community Services</b>	<b>\$1,617,298</b>	<b>\$1,763,703</b>	<b>\$146,405</b>	<b>9.1%</b>
General Fund	808,943	895,849	86,906	10.7%
GF Reappropriation *	445	441	(4)	-0.9%
PDF	3,815	2,700	(1,115)	-29.2%
Federal Trust Fund	44,731	44,742	11	0.0%
DDSA	30	1,000	970	3233.3%
Reimbursements	759,334	818,971	59,637	7.9%
<b>Developmental Centers Program</b>				
Personal Services	\$422,852	\$484,846	\$61,994	14.7%
Operating Expense & Equipment	138,243	127,862	(10,381)	-7.5%
<b>Total, Developmental Centers</b>	<b>\$561,095</b>	<b>\$612,708</b>	<b>\$51,613</b>	<b>9.2%</b>
General Fund	82,352	71,400	(10,952)	-13.3%
Federal Trust Fund	740	740	0	0.0%
Lottery Education Fund	389	389	0	0.0%
Reimbursements	477,614	540,179	62,565	13.1%
<b>Headquarters Support</b>				
Personal Services	\$24,298	\$25,762	\$1,464	6.0%
Operating Expense & Equipment	8,233	7,202	(1,031)	-12.5%
<b>Total, Headquarters Support</b>	<b>\$32,531</b>	<b>\$32,964</b>	<b>\$433</b>	<b>1.3%</b>
General Fund	\$27,780	\$28,384	\$604	2.2%
Federal Trust Fund	1,818	1,817	(1)	-0.1%
PDF	246	247	1	0.4%
Reimbursements	2,687	2,516	(171)	-6.4%
<b>State Mandates</b>	<b>\$903</b>	<b>\$486</b>	<b>(\$417)</b>	<b>-46.2%</b>
General Fund	\$903	\$486	(\$417)	-46.2%
<b>Totals, All Programs</b>	<b>\$2,211,827</b>	<b>\$2,409,861</b>	<b>\$198,034</b>	<b>9.0%</b>
General Fund	919,978	996,119	76,141	8.3%
General Fund Reappropriation	445	441	(4)	-0.9%
Federal Trust Fund	47,289	47,299	10	0.0%
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\* Reflects a savings of \$1.3 million in 1999-00 for Self Determination Pilots and Y2K funding, and \$0.2 million in 2000-01 for Self Determination Pilots.